practice is contemplated. The property statement of the society is not the only factor taken into consideration before the financing bank grants a loan to a society. The general working of the society, its management, its past history and the repaying capacity of borrowers are all taken into consideration before loans are granted.

Mr. G. Rameswara Rao:—" May I remind the Hon. Minister that what was in my mind when I put the question was that a circular was issued by the Registrar in 1928 or so that all debts inclusive of interest due up to date must be shown? May I ask whether it is ignored in actual practice or whether any steps are taken to enforce that circular?"

The Hon. Mr. P. T. Rajan:—" I am not aware of it; as my hon. Friend has now brought it to my notice, I am prepared to look into the matter."

Mr. C. R. Parthasarathi Ayyangar:—" May I know whether any steps are taken every year to check the solvency of persons, with reference to the statement furnished?"

The Hon. Mr. P. T. Rajan:—" Every year the statement is revised."

Mr. C. R. Parthasarathi Ayyangar:—" May I ask whether it is carried out in practice or whether it merely exists on paper?"

The Hon. Mr. P. T. Rajan:—" I do not think it is not done in the proper way. Every year the officer concerned revises the statement."

Veterinary

Cattle mortality in North Arcot due to rinderpest and other diseases.

* 730 *Q.*—Mr. M. A. Manikkavelu Nayakar: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state the number of cattle destroyed by rinderpest and other diseases in the North Arcot district every year during the last five years?

A.—The attention of the hon. Member is invited to Appendix I of the Annual Administration Report of the Madras Civil Veterinary department for the last five years.

Education

Principles governing the allotment of grants to district boards for the construction of secondary school buildings.

* 731 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. Nachiyappa Gounder: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) what the conditions are under which local bodies are allowed grants for the construction of secondary school buildings;